

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
WESTERN DIVISION

TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY )  
OF AMERICA, )  
vs. )  
YOUNG CONSTRUCTION & PAVING, LLC; KAREN B. )  
YOUNG; GORDON T. YOUNG; JEFFREY D. YOUNG; )  
MONICA L. YOUNG; JOSEPH WELLS; TERRI )  
WELLS; LUKE D. VANDER BLEEK; and JOAN L. )  
VANDER BLEEK, )  
and )  
JOSEPH WELLS; TERRI WELLS; LUKE D. VANDER )  
BLEEK; and JOAN L. VANDER BLEEK, )  
vs. )  
TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY )  
OF AMERICA, )  
and )  
TRISSEL, GRAHAM AND TOOLE, INC., a corporation, )  
DANIEL CURRAN, and ROGER A. COLMARK, )  
Third-Party Defendants. )  
Plaintiff, )  
Defendants. )  
Counter-Plaintiffs/Third-Party Plaintiffs, )  
Counter-Defendants, )  
Third-Party Defendants. )  
No. 8-CV-50008 )

**REPLY TO TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA'S  
MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

NOW COME the Defendants, JOSEPH WELLS, TERRI WELLS, LUKE D. VANDER BLEEK, and JOAN L. VANDER BLEEK, by RENO & ZAHM LLP, by Robert A. Fredrickson and Jack D. Ward, and for their Reply to Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America's Motion for Preliminary Injunction, state as follows:

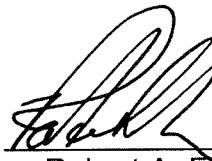
1. That Travelers has not shown the likelihood of success on the merits, and the Answer, Affirmative Defense, Counterclaim, and Third-Party Complaint of these Defendants show the invalidity and unenforceability of the underlying indemnity agreement.
2. That Joseph Wells, Terri Wells, Luke D. Vander Bleek, and Joan L. Vander Bleek have a long history and presence in the Sterling community and present no risk to Travelers to liquidate their assets and leave the area.
3. That the assets of the Wellses and Vander Bleeks are sufficient that if the Travelers successfully obtains a money judgment, the Wellses and Vander Bleeks would have the assets to pay their respective indemnity limits, and therefore Travelers has an adequate remedy at law.

WHEREFORE, the Defendants, JOSEPH WELLS, TERRI WELLS, LUKE D. VANDER BLEEK and JOAN L. VANDER BLEEK pray that the Court enter an order denying the Plaintiffs' request for preliminary injunction, and specifically any request that would require either the posting or liquidation of collateral before the case is determined on the merits inasmuch as these Defendants have shown by facts plead in a good faith defense to the validity and enforceability of the indemnity agreement.

Dated this 27 day of February, 2008.

JOSEPH WELLS; TERRI WELLS; LUKE  
D. VANDER BLEEK; and JOAN L.  
VANDER BLEEK

By: RENO & ZAHM LLP

By:   
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Penny Fox

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